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ABSTRACT

This guidebook is designed primarily to give students the information they need in selecting a two-year college. It provides information about individual colleges and indexes to help students locate colleges with particular characteristics. Following a brief preface, the first section, "The College Advisor," presents: (1) "What You Need To Know about Community Colleges," by David R. Pierce, which explains what community colleges have to offer; (2) "Fifteen Frequently Asked Questions about Transferring"; (3) "Returning to School: A Guide for Adult Students"; (4) "Understanding Financial Aid"; (5) "Taking Standardized Tests"; (6) "Looking at Majors and Careers"; and (7) "How To Use the College Indexes and Profiles." The second section, "College Indexes," features a state-by-state table of vital statistics (e.g., degrees awarded; type of institutional control; make-up of student body; fall 1991 enrollment; percentage of students attending part-time, receiving financial aid, over 24 years of age, retained past their freshman year, and going on to a four-year campus; entrance requirements; and available services). In addition, indexes of majors for both two- and four-year college associate degree programs are provided. The third section highlights institutional changes since the 1992 edition. The fourth section lists colleges alphabetically and provides profiles of aspects of college life from admission to graduation, including information on computer facilities. In-depth descriptions of selected colleges are provided in the next section. The final section provides a state-by-state institutional index. (MAB)

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